

LT COL ARTHUR KING COMPOSITE SQUADRON 50 INSIGNIA

SQUADRON 50 MOTTO

The Latin term "IN OMINA PARATUS" means 'Ever Ready.' This would be indicative of the Squadrons response to assigned tasks, and was always the response to anything asked of Lt.Col King.

SQUADRON 50 INSIGNIA BLAZON

On a ring blue, on the top the words CIVIL AIR PATROL in bold white letters, On a white and red disk in the center is the blue Squadron number '50' and a gray outstretch wing from a CAP 1941 Senior member hat insignia with a sword behind it. On the lower blue ring the Squadron name "LT COL ARTHUR KING".

Attached above the disc, a red scroll edged with a narrow Gold border and inscribed "IN OMINA PARATUS" in bold white letters.

Attached below the disc a red scroll edged with a narrow gold border and inscribed "COMPOSITE SQUADRON" in bold white letters.

SQUADRON 50 INSIGNIA SIGNIFICANCE

On the top red scroll panel color are bold white letters is the Squadron 50 motto.

Blue and gold/yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of air operations. Gold refers to the sun and the excellence required of Civil Air Patrol personnel as the Air Force Auxiliary. The white triangle with red three blade propeller is the first insignia of the Civil Air Patrol, and remains the standard image today of this organization. The five-zero is the original number designation of Modesto Squadron 50, which has been now chartered as the Lt.Col Arthur King Composite Squadron 50.

The blue ring with gold borders is representative of those United States Air Force colors. The white and red disk that is divided diagonally with the top half being white

and the bottom half being red taken from the colors of the California flag, associates the squadron with California Wing.

On the white section of the disk near the left face of the insignia is a blue five with gold trim, and opposite it on the right edge and in the red section is a blue zero with gold trim.

In the focal center of the insignia, setting on the diagonal line between the white and red and between the five and zero is an icon (designed by LTCOL King) is a combined original senior member officer hat insignia (1941 era) and a sword centered behind this hat insignia pointing upward to reflect cadet leadership. It is the intent that this icon to represent a CAP Composite Squadron; the hat piece for the senior section and the a sword representing the discipline of the cadet program; the two edges representing the two major training focuses of leadership and aerospace education in the CAP Cadet Program and how this training enables former cadets to battle all obstacles in order to excel as young, dynamic aerospace leaders. This was Colonel King designed icon as such it also represent the name of the Squadron.

SQUADRON 50 COLORS

While the symbols used in an emblem design have a primary significance, colors play a secondary but important role in conveying meaning to the design. The colors used in heraldry for this Squadron insignia and their positive meanings are:

RED is representative of the blood of life, boldness, courage, hardiness, liberty, magnanimity, passion, patriotism, strength, valor, warmth, and zeal.

GOLD is representative of the honor or majesty (royalty), constancy, excellence,, honor, intellect, intuition, justice, loyalty, magnanimity, supreme wisdom, and mystic aspects of the sun.

BLUE (ultramarine blue) is representative of calm seas, charity, constancy, daylight, devotion, innocence, justice, loyalty, sincerity, sky, thinking, and truth.

GRAY is representative of discretion, humility, maturity, penitence, renunciation, and retrospection.

WHITE is representative of daylight, innocence, perfection, purity, truth, and wisdom.

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